

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. In communications filed on 10/9/2009, applicant amends claims 1, 6, 19, and 21; cancels claims 2, 17, 18, and 20; the following claims 1, 3-6, 10-12, and 19, and 21-23 are pending and are presented for examination.

1.1 In response to communications filed on 10/9/2009, the 112th rejection second paragraph and the objection to the specification have been withdrawn with respect to the amendment.

1.2 Applicant's remarks see pages 8-11, filed on 10/9/2009, with respect to the claims have been fully considered. Claims 6 and 10-12 have been previously indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Claims 2 and 20 dependent from claims 1 and 19 also have been indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Since claims 1 and 19 have been amended to incorporate the limitations of claims 2 and 20, the prior art rejection of claims 1, 3-5, 19, and 21-23 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1, 3-6, 10-12, and 19, and 21-23 are allowed.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CARL COLIN whose telephone number is (571)272-3862. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday, 8:00-6:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nasser G. Moazzami can be reached on 571-272-4195. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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